

WO-277

c. 1912

New York, Pennsylvania, and Norfolk
Passenger Station
Pocomoke City
Private

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HISTORIC CONTEXT INFORMATION

Resource Name: WO-277

MHT Inventory Number: N. Y. P. AND N. RAILROAD STATION

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE HISTORIC PRESERVATION PLAN DATA:

- 1) Historic Period Theme(s): ARCHITECTURE
TRANSPORTATION
- 2) Geographic Orientation: EASTERN SHORE
- 3) Chronological/Developmental Period(s):
URBAN/INDUSTRIAL DOMINANCE
1870-1930
- 4) Resource Type(s):
PASSENGER TRAIN STATION

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic OLD NEW YORK, PENNSYLVANIA, AND NORFOLK RAILROAD STATION

and/or common POCOMOKE DEPOT

2. Location

street & number Southeast side of Cedarhall Road ___ not for publication

city, town Pocomoke City ___ vicinity of congressional district First

state Maryland county Worcester

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
___ district	___ public	___ occupied	___ agriculture	___ museum
<u>X</u> building(s)	<u>X</u> private	<u>X</u> unoccupied	___ commercial	___ park
___ structure	___ both	___ work in progress	___ educational	___ private residence
___ site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	___ entertainment	___ religious
___ object	___ in process	<u>X</u> yes: restricted	___ government	___ scientific
	___ being considered	___ yes: unrestricted	___ industrial	___ transportation
	<u>X</u> not applicable	___ no	___ military	<u>X</u> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name

street & number telephone no.:

city, town state and zip code

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Worcester County Clerk of Court liber

street & number Worcester County Courthouse folio

city, town Snow Hill state MD 21863

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ___ federal ___ state ___ county ___ local

pository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. WO-277

Condition

☐ excellent
☐ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☒ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

The old New York, Pennsylvania, and Norfolk railroad station is located on the north side of the Pennsylvania Railroad line near the intersection of Railroad Avenue and Second Street in the western section of Pocomoke City, Worcester County, Maryland.

Built around 1912, the single-story Flemish bond brick station is supported on a concrete foundation, and the walls are a combination of Flemish bond brick and stone dressings. Facing southwest and the track, the building is covered by a broad hip roof that has slightly kicked eaves. A fire gutted the building during 1989 destroying a large section of the timber roof. The brick walls however, appear in relatively good condition. Protruding through the roof is an internal brick stack finished with a corbelled cap. Brick paving surrounds the building.

The southwest or track side of the station is marked by a projecting bay that comprised the ticket office. Finely cut quoins mark the corners of the station as well as the ticket office. A molded stone dressing extends around the entire building at the level of chair rail. The track side of the station is also fitted with a freight door on the northwest corner.

The northwest end of the building is marked by a pair of large window openings accented with jack arches and cut keystones. The southeast end, on the other hand, is defined by a projecting three-sided bay window.

The northeast side of the station is an uneven facade of asymmetrically placed doors and windows. Stone dressings accent the corners and chair rail level. Another freight door marks the northeast corner of the station where a small platform was built against the building.

The station has been boarded up since the fire.

8. Significance

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Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400–1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500–1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
<input type="checkbox"/> 1600–1699	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> education	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input type="checkbox"/> social/
<input type="checkbox"/> 1700–1799	<input type="checkbox"/> art	<input type="checkbox"/> engineering	<input type="checkbox"/> music	<input type="checkbox"/> humanitarian
<input type="checkbox"/> 1800–1899	<input type="checkbox"/> commerce	<input type="checkbox"/> exploration/settlement	<input type="checkbox"/> philosophy	<input type="checkbox"/> theater
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900–	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

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9. Major Bibliographical References

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10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property _____

Quadrangle name _____

Quadrangle scale _____

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Verbal boundary description and justification

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

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state	code	county	code
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11. Form Prepared By

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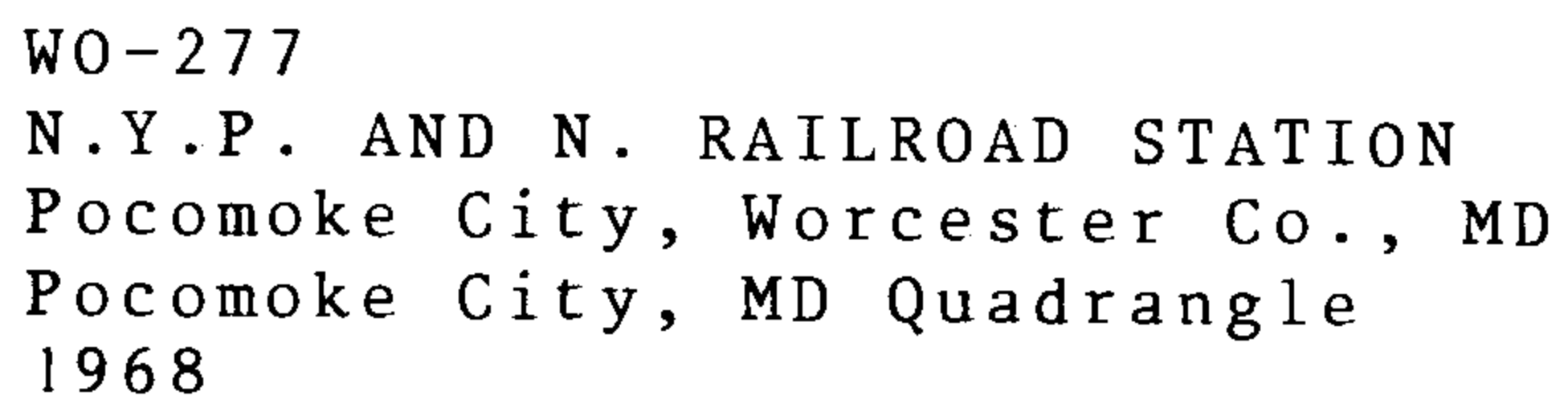
street & number	Worcester County Courthouse	telephone	301-632-1194
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city or town	Snow Hill	state	MD	21863
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